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6/27/12 Board Meeting  
Item 4.

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**Monterey Peninsula Taxpayers Association**

June 26, 2012

Bob Brower  
Chair, Water Supply Committee  
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

Dear Director Brower:

After meeting, the Board of Directors of the MPTA feels that the four items (listed) represent major improvements to the proposed ordinance and have our support.

1. Include a date certain for sunset:
  - a. 5 – year overall sunset from effective date of the ordinance if no District project is identified and underway.
  - b. Sunset portion related to a debt-financed project at the end of bonding term, or earlier if security for bonds unaffected.
  - c. Sunset at date that funding for a project is transferred to CAW bill for portion attributable to that project.
2. Funds will be earmarked for water supply projects such as ASR, GWR, and Desal.
3. A citizen's advisory panel will be established that would meet quarterly to review expenditures of funds and provide reporting to the District Board. The panel cannot mandate expenditures, bind the District Board, or set policy without Board approval. The panel will include representatives appointed by the District directors, and established by separate by-law or resolution. Panel will include one member each from MCAR and MTPA and representatives of other community groups, as determined by the Board.
4. Funds available for non-project costs (administrative overhead) will be limited to 15% of project funding.

When it comes to the process we feel strongly that at the end of the day the ordinance must follow the law. We are willing to continue to work with the MPWMD to ensure the ordinance complies with the law.

Sincerely,

Ron Pasquinelli  
President